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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the documents identified on the enclosed form PTO-1449, copies of which are enclosed, are disclosed to the examiner for consideration in connection with the present application. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), a check for the \$180 fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) for consideration of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.

By this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, applicant cites U.S. Patent Application No. 10/027,888 ("the '888 application") and U.S. Published Application No. 2003/0114218, which is the published version of the '888 application. Additionally, applicant cites the most recent amendment (dated November 18, 2003) and Office Action (dated January 21, 2004) in regard to the '888 application (in particular, note claim 50, found to be allowable in the '888 application if rewritten). Further, applicant cites those documents not previously cited to or by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-mentioned application that were cited to or by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office during the

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prosecution of the '888 application, with the exception of U.S. Patent No. 5,796,716, which is believed to have been cited in error.

The undersigned also notes the following. The named inventor of the '888 application is the named inventor of the above-mentioned application. Moreover, the assignee of the '888 application at the time of filing, Anchor Gaming, was the assignee of the above-mentioned application at the time of filing. Further, the '888 application and the above-mentioned application were both transferred from Anchor Gaming to the present assignee, IGT. However, neither the undersigned nor his firm prepared the above-mentioned application or the '888 application, and the undersigned did not become aware of a relationship between the subject matter of the '888 application and the subject matter of the above-mentioned application until recently, when he reviewed the Office Action issued in regard to the above-mentioned application.

The submission of the documents identified on the enclosed PTO-1449 form is not an admission that they are prior art or material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b). The Commissioner is hereby authorized and directed to charge any required fee for the submission of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement to Deposit Account No. 13-2855. A copy of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

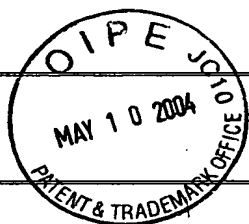
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	NBA Jam Extreme review by Games Domain [ <a href="http://www.gamesdomain.com/gdreview/zones/reviews/pc/apr97/nba.html">www.gamesdomain.com/gdreview/zones/reviews/pc/apr97/nba.html</a> ], Game's Release Date: December 1996, Publisher: Acclaim, pps 1-4.
	U.S. Patent Application No. 10/027,888, filed December 19, 2001, titled "Method and Apparatus for Gaming Machines with a Quasi-Competition Play Bonus Feature."
	Amendment, filed in regard to Patent Application No. 10/027,888, dated November 18, 2003.
	Office Action, issued in regard to Patent Application No. 10/027,888, dated January 21, 2004.

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